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SUBJECT: CIVAIR-TRILATERAL DISCUSSIONS

1. RE MEADOWS TELCON OCTOBER 31, DOZ INFORMS US AFTER POLLING ECAC MEMBERS THAT REACTION WAS NOT FAVORABLE TO US REQUEST INCLUDE NACA AND ATA OBSERVERS ON US DELEGATION FOR NEXT WEEK'S TALKS. DOZ SAID THAT WHILE INSTRUCTED NOT TO GIVE DEFINITE NO ANSWER TO US REQUEST, HE WAS TO INDICATE THAT ECAC MEMBERS ARE "MUCH EMBARRASSED" BY THIS LAST-MINUTE REQUEST AND HOPE THAT US WILL NOT PERSIST. DOZ SAID THAT WAS INTENDED FROM OUTSET THAT CHARTER DISCUSSIONS BE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL, AND IT WAS TOO LATE NOW FOR ECAC MEMBERS TO INVITE EUROPEAN AIRLINE REPS AS OBSERVERS. ACCORDING DOZ, ONLY EXCEPTION HAS BEEN ITALY, WHERE TRADITION EXISTS THAT ALITALIA REP SERVES AS ITALIAN DELEGATE BUT FOR ALL PRACTICAL PURPOSES SPEAKS FOR GOVERNMENT. WE HAD PASSED ON TO HIM THE ARGUMENT THAT EUROPEAN NATIONALIZED AIRLINES COULD ALREADY BE SAID TO BE REPRESENTED BY THEIR GOVERNMENTAL REPS IN ECAC, BUT DOZ SAID "THIS HAD NOT GONE DOWN WELL."

2. DOZ CONFIRMED ECAC AGREEABLE PURSUING TALKS THROUGH NOV. 9

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FOR INFORMAL DISCUSSION OF NORTH ATLANTIC FARES SITUATION.

HE UNDERSTANDS OUR SUGGESTION WAS IN RESPONSE ECAC INITIATIVE
FOR MULTILATERAL DISCUSSION THIS QUESTION AND HAS ALSO BEEN
ALERTED THAT US INTEREST IS SIMPLY TO COMMENT ON IATA
PACKAGE AND CAB OBJECTIVES.

3. HANS RABEN OF NETHERLANDS WILL HEAD ECAC DELEGATION FOR
NOV.9 TALKS AND DOZ ASSUMES THERE IS NO OBJECTIVE TO RABEN
ALSO SERVING AS "ADMINISTRATIVE CHAIRMAN" OF MEETING.

4. RE NOV. 9 MEETING DOZ SAID HE WAS INSTRUCTED INFORM US THAT
ECAC WAS DEFINITELY OPPOSED TO ATTENDANCE BY ANY US OBSERVERS
AT THESE TALKS.

5. IRELAND HAS NOW INDICATED IT WILL ATTEND NEXT WEEK'S TALKS.
ITALY NOW UNCERTAIN.
IRWIN

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